

[22nd April 1959]

**THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :** நியாய விலைக் கடைகளில் கோதுமைதான் விற்கப்படுகிறது. அரிசி விற்கப்படுவதில்லை. எனக்கு நினைவு இருக்கும் வரையில் சொல்லுகிறேன். கோதுமையின் விலை ஒரு படி பத்தரையனு என்று நினைக்கிறேன்.

**SRI T. T. DANIEL :** May I know whether the Government have issued to the Collectors any principles which they have to follow in opening these Fair Price Shops?

**THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :** Yes, Sir. The Collectors are quite aware under what circumstances they have to open these Fair Price Shops.

### Rice

\* 63 Q.—**SRI S. LAZAR** (on behalf of SRIMATHI T. N. ANANDANAYAKI) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

- (a) the quantum of rice required for the State per year; and
- (b) the quantity of rice produced in the year 1957-58?

**THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :** (a) The estimated requirements of rice at the rate of 16 ounces per adult per day are 32·54 lakhs of tons. It is not however certain that the rate of consumption is as much as 16 ounces.

(b) The quantity of rice produced in the year 1957-58 is estimated at 32·34 lakhs of tons in terms of cleaned grains.

### Lower Bhavani Project

\* 65 Q.—**SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR** (on behalf of SRI N. K. PALANISAMI) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Hon. the Minister for Finance toured the Lower Bhavani Project ayacut area in Coimbatore district in November 1958 to enquire into the conditions of the ryots therein; and

(b) the decisions taken by the Government as a result of his enquiry?

**THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A copy \* of the order issued in the matter is placed on the table of the House.